

RESOLUTION OF SYMPATHY

WHEREAS, it was with great sadness that the Rutherford County Board of Commissioners learned of the death of Matt B. Murfree III, a local attorney, political leader, descendent of the city's namesake, and a friend of many; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Murfree served as a County Commissioner for Rutherford County mainly in the 70's, was chairman of the Health, Education & Welfare Committee and was instrumental in establishing the Rutherford County Ambulance Service. He also served for a period of time as Chairman of the Rutherford County Commission, and due to the illness of the then County Executive, he became County Executive. He was also a member of the committee that negotiated with the Nissan Manufacturing Company that led to the location of the Nissan manufacturing plant in Rutherford County; and most recently served as the Attorney for the Rutherford County Public Building Authority; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Murfree was very active in many civic activities and served on many boards and committees including: Member and President of the Rutherford County Chamber of Commerce; served for over thirty years on the Board of the current St. Thomas Rutherford Hospital, formerly Middle Tennessee Medical Center and Rutherford Hospital; served on the board of the St. Thomas Health Care Services; served on the Christy Houston Foundation Board; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Murfree was named Business Legend of the Year in 2002 by the Rutherford County Chamber of Commerce and was honored by the Nashville Business Journal as a Rutherford County Impact Award winner in 2013; and

WHEREAS, he was a member of the Sigma Chi fraternity, St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Stones River Country Club, Belle Meade Country Club, Sons of the American Revolution and The Society of the Cincinnati; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Murfree is survived by his wife, Katherine Davis Murfree; sons, Matt B. “Bricke” Murfree IV (Sarah); Paul Davis Murfree (Blair); three grandchildren; and brother, Robert Bell Murfree (Betsy); and

WHEREAS, Mr. Murfree was a true Southern gentleman who was respected by his peers, clients, and all who knew him; and

WHEREAS, we know that his passing has caused great sadness to his family and friends.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Rutherford County Board of Commissioners at its regular session on this 15th day of January 2015, does hereby extend sincere sympathy to the family of Matt Murfree III; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution of Sympathy be forwarded to the family of Mr. Murfree by the Clerk of this Legislative Body.

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